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| FORM PTO-1390 (Modified) (REV. 07-2004) U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE | | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 259346US0PCT | |
| TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 | | | |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/FR03/01110 | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 9 April 2003 | U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/510226 | |
| PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 10 April 2002 | | TITLE OF INVENTION PROCESS FOR THE TREATMENT OF LIGNOCELLULOSE MATERIALS, IN PARTICULAR WOOD, AND MATERIAL OBTAINED BY THIS PROCESS | |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US MAGNE Michel et al. | | | |
| <p>Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (24) indicated below. 4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c) (2)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)). 10. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)). 11. <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409). 12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210). <p>Items 13 to 23 below concern document(s) or information included:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 13. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 14. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 15. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment. 16. <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. 17. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. 18. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825. 20. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 21. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 22. <input type="checkbox"/> Express Mail Label No. 23. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: PCT/IB/304/Notice of Priority/PCT/IB/308 Application Data Sheet/Drawings (1 sheet) Request for Consideration/Amended Sheets (Amended Specification) Letter Regarding Translation of the Annexes | | | |

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| 24. The following fees are submitted: | | CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY |
| BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)) : | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but International Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO <input type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO <input type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) <input type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) | | \$1110.00 \$950.00 \$790.00 \$750.00 \$100.00 ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT = \$950.00 |
| Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)). | | <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 30 \$130.00 |
| CLAIMS | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA |
| Total claims | 19 - 20 = | 0 |
| Independent claims | 1 - 3 = | 0 |
| Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable). | | <input type="checkbox"/> \$0.00 |
| TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = | | \$1,080.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2. | | \$0.00 |
| SUBTOTAL = | | \$1,080.00 |
| Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)). | | <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 + \$0.00 |
| TOTAL NATIONAL FEE = | | \$1,080.00 |
| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31) (check if applicable). | | <input type="checkbox"/> \$0.00 |
| TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = | | \$1,080.00 |
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| a. <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of _____ to cover the above fees is enclosed. | | |
| b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____ to cover the above fees. | | |
| c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>15-0030</u> | | |
| d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038. | | |
| NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status. | | |
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Docket No. 259346US0PCT

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Michel MAGNE et al.

SERIAL NO: New U.S. PCT Application Based on PCT/FR03/01110

FILED: HEREWITH

FOR: METHOD FOR TREATING LIGNOCELLULOSIC MATERIALS, IN PARTICULAR WOOD AND MATERIAL OBTAINED BY SAID METHOD

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required

Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.

Additional documents filed herewith: PCT Transmittal Letter/PCT/IB/304/English Translation of Specification/PCT/IB/308 Notice of Priority/Application Data Sheet/Drawing (1 sheet)/Request for Consideration International Search Report/Amended Sheets (Amended Specification) Translation of Annexes to International Preliminary Examination Report Letter Regarding Translation of Specification/Credit Card Payment Form for \$1,080.00

The Fee has been calculated as shown below:

| CLAIMS | CLAIMS REMAINING | | HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID | NO. EXTRA CLAIMS | RATE | CALCULATIONS |
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| TOTAL | 19 | MINUS | 19 | 0 | x \$18 = | \$0.00 |
| INDEPENDENT | 1 | MINUS | 1 | 0 | x \$88 = | \$0.00 |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS | | | + \$300 = | \$0.00 |
| | | | | | | \$0.00 |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Reduction by 50% for filing by Small Entity | | | | \$0.00 |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Recordation of Assignment | | | + \$40 = | \$0.00 |
| | | | | | | TOTAL \$0.00 |

A check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached.

Credit card payment form is attached to cover the fees in the amount of \$0.00

Please charge any additional Fees for the papers being filed herewith and for which no check or credit card payment is enclosed herewith, or credit any overpayment to deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time may be charged to Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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**REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF DOCUMENTS
CITED IN INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT**

Commissioner for Patents

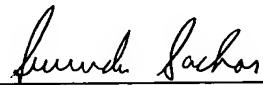
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Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that applicant(s) request that the Examiner consider the documents cited in the International Search Report according to MPEP §609 and so indicate by a statement in the first Office Action that the information has been considered. When the Form PCT/DO/EO/903 indicates both the search report and copies of the documents are present in the national stage file, there is no requirement for the applicant(s) to submit them (1156 O.G. 91 November 23, 1993).

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